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## INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of the physical, chemical, and biological studies of the Cedar River in the vicinity of the Duane Arnold Energy Center during the 17th year of station operation (January 1990 to December 1990).

The Duane Arnold Energy Center Operational Study was implemented in mid-January, 1974. Prior to plant start-up extensive preoperational data were collected from April, 1971 to January, 1974. These preoperational studies provided a substantial amount of "baseline" data with which to compare the information collected since the station became operational. The availability of 17 years of operational data, collected under a variety of climatic and hydrological conditions, provides an excellent basis for the assessment of the effects of the operation of the Duane Arnold Energy Center on the limnology and water quality of the Cedar River. Equally important is the availability of sufficient data to identify long-term trends in the water quality of the Cedar River which are unrelated to station operation, but are indicative of climatic patterns, changes in land use practices, or pollution control procedures within the Cedar River basin.

## SITE DESCRIPTION

The Duane Arnold Energy Center, a nuclear fueled electrical generating plant, operated by the Iowa Electric Light and Power Company, is located on the west side of the Cedar River, approximately two and one-half miles north-northeast of Palo, Iowa, in Linn County. The plant employs a boiling water nuclear power reactor which produces approximately 560 MWe of power (1650 MWth) at full capacity. Waste heat rejected from the turbine cycle to the condenser circulating water is removed by two closed loop induced draft cooling towers which require a maximum of 11,000 gpm (ca. 24.5 cfs) of water from the Cedar River. A maximum of 7,000 gpm (ca. 15.5 cfs) may be lost through evaporation,

while 4,000 gpm (ca. 9 cfs) may be returned to the river as blowdown water from the cool side of the cooling towers.

### OBJECTIVES

Studies to determine the baseline physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of the Cedar River near the Duane Arnold Energy Center prior to plant start-up were instituted in April of 1971. These preoperational studies are described in earlier reports.<sup>1-3</sup> Data from these studies served as a basis for the development of the operational study.

The operational studies were designed to identify and evaluate any significant effects of chemical or thermal discharges from the generating station into the Cedar River, as well as to assess the magnitude of impingement of the fishery on intake screens or entrainment in the condenser make-up water. These were first implemented in January, 1974 and have continued without interruption through the current year.<sup>4-19</sup>

The specific objectives of the operational study are twofold:

1. To continue routine water quality determinations in the Cedar River in order to identify any conditions which could result in environmental or water quality problems.
2. To conduct physical, chemical, and biological studies in and adjacent to the discharge canal and to compare the results with similar studies executed above the intake. This will make possible the determination of any water quality changes occurring as a result of chemical additions or condenser passage, and to identify any impacts of the plant effluent on aquatic communities adjacent to the discharge.

## STUDY PLAN

During the operational phase of the study sampling sites were established in the discharge canal and at four locations in the Cedar River (Figure 1): 1) upstream of the plant at the Lewis Access Bridge (Station 1); 2) directly upstream of the plant intake (Station 2); 3) at a point within the mixing zone approximately 140 feet downstream of the plant discharge (Station 3); and 4) adjacent to Comp Farm, located about one-half mile below the plant (Station 4). Samples were also taken from the discharge canal (Station 5).

Prior to 1979, samples were collected and analyzed by the Department of Environmental Engineering of the University of Iowa. From January, 1979 through December, 1983 samples were collected and analyzed by Ecological Analysts, Inc. Since 1984 collection and analysis of samples has been conducted by the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory, located in Iowa City, Iowa. The conclusions contained in this annual report are based on the results of their analyses. Samples for routine chemical, physical, and biological analysis were taken twice per month, while other studies were conducted seasonally. The following are discussed in this report:

### I. General Water Quality Analysis

A. Frequency: twice per month

B. Location: at all five stations

C. Parameters Measured:

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|---|---|
| 1. Temperature                              | 8. Hardness series (total and calcium)  |
| 2. Turbidity                                | 9. Phosphate series (total and ortho)   |
| 3. Solids (total, dissolved, and suspended) | 10. Ammonia                             |
| 4. Dissolved oxygen                         | 11. Nitrate                             |
| 5. Carbon dioxide                           | 12. Iron                                |
| 6. Alkalinity (total and carbonate)         | 13. Biochemical oxygen demand           |
| 7. pH                                       | 14. Coliform series (fecal and E. coli) |



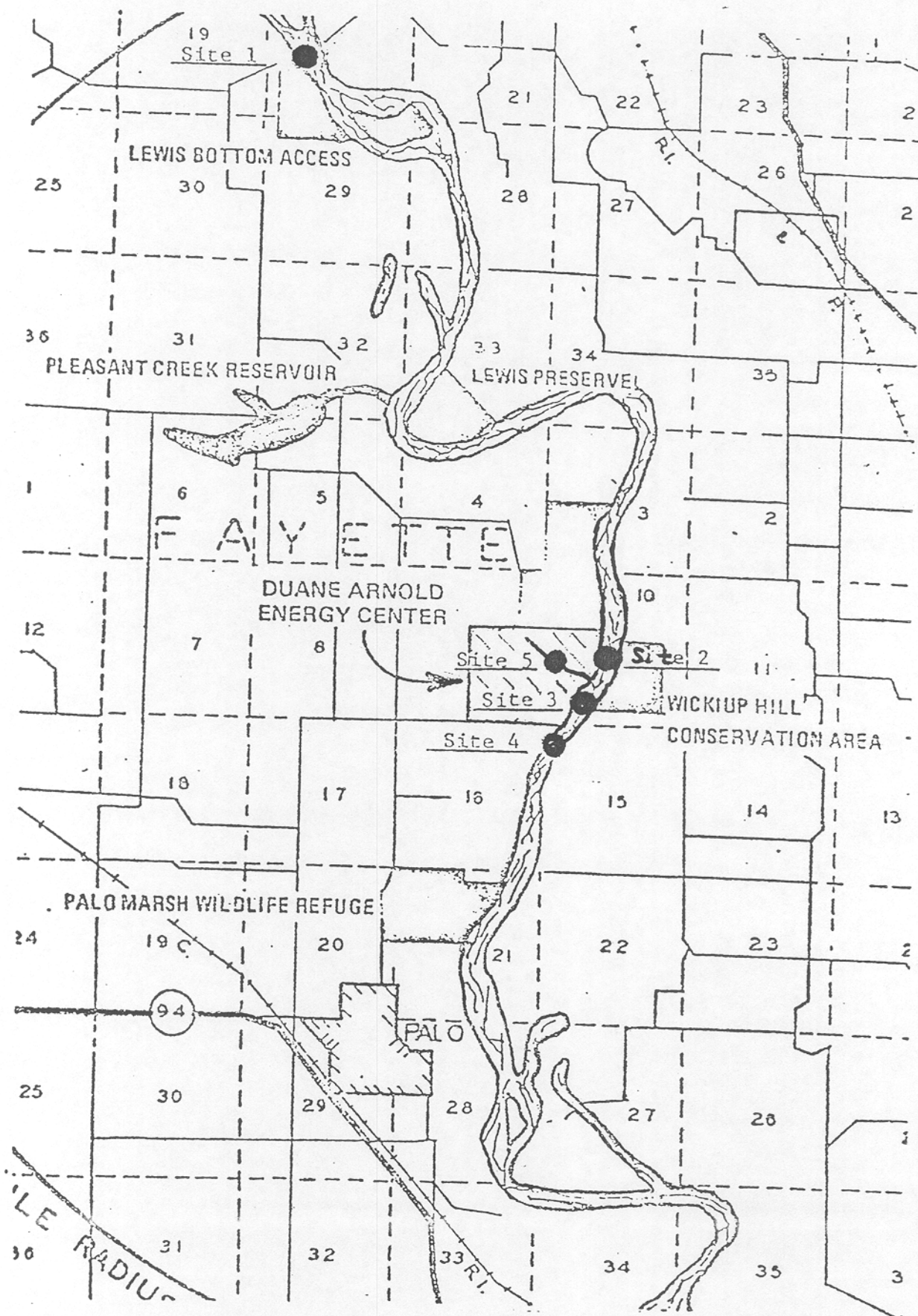


Figure 1. Location of Operational Sampling Sites

## II. Additional Chemical Determinations

- A. Frequency: twice yearly
- B. Location: at all five stations
- C. Parameters Measured:

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|--------------|-------------|
| 1. Chromium  | 5. Mercury  |
| 2. Copper    | 6. Zinc     |
| 3. Lead      | 7. Chloride |
| 4. Manganese | 8. Sulfate  |

## III. Biological Studies

- A. Benthic Studies:
  - 1. Frequency: summer and fall
  - 2. Location: at all five stations
- B. Asiatic Clam (Corbicula) and Zebra Mussel (Dreissena) Surveys:
  - 1. Frequency: twice yearly
  - 2. Location: upstream and downstream of the plant, intake bay, cooling tower basin, and discharge canal. The Zebra mussel survey also includes Pleasant Creek Reservoir.
- C. Impingement Studies:
  - 1. Frequency: daily
  - 2. Location: intake structure

## OBSERVATIONS

### Physical Conditions

#### Hydrology (Table 1)

The low river flows which characterized most of 1988 and 1989 did not persist beyond the spring of 1990. Mean monthly flows ranged from 30% of the median monthly discharge in April to 870% in August. A record high mean monthly as well as a record daily discharge was present in August. Estimated mean flow for the year was ca. 5,061 cfs, somewhat higher than the 19 year average flow of ca. 4,619 cfs. Mean monthly discharges at the Cedar Rapids gauging station ranged from 360 cfs in January to 17,540 cfs in August. Mean monthly discharges

in 1990 were classified as deficient (less than the 25% quartile) in January and February, and excessive (greater than the 75% quartile) in June, July, August, and September. Winter flows remained low through early March, ranging from a yearly minimum of 252 cfs on January 3 to 634 cfs on January 18, and then increased to an early spring high of 6,640 cfs by March 18, 1990. Flows declined to less than 2,000 cfs by late March and remained below normal through most of April. May and June flows were substantially higher with peaks of 11,300 and 26,200 cfs, respectively. Flows declined in early July and remained below 7,000 cfs until late in the month when they increased sharply, reaching a record August high of 44,700 cfs on August 2. August flows were far above normal, establishing a record mean discharge for the month. Fall and winter flows were also above normal, ranging from ca. 1,000 to 4,000 cfs. Hydrological data are summarized in Table 1.

#### Temperature (Table 2)

Ambient river temperatures during 1990 ranged from  $0.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $32.0^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) to  $25.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $77.9^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). The maximum ambient (Station 1) temperature was observed on June 27. This value was lower than that of either the previous year or the ten year average maximum of  $27.2^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $81^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). Maximum downstream temperatures of  $25.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $77^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) were observed both in the mixing zone and one-half mile below the plant (Stations 3 and 4) on June 27 and September 5. The highest discharge canal (Station 5) temperature observed during the period was  $32.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $89.6^{\circ}\text{F}$ ), which was also recorded on June 27. A maximum temperature differential ( $\Delta T$  value) between the upstream river and the discharge canal (Station 2 vs. Station 5) of  $18.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $32.4^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) was observed on March 21.

Station operation had little effect on downstream water temperatures. The maximum  $\Delta T$  value between ambient upstream temperatures at Station 2 and downstream temperatures at Station 3, located in the mixing zone for the



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discharge canal, of 3.0°C (5.4°F) was measured on March 7. A maximum temperature elevation at the Comp Farm station, one-half mile below the plant (Station 2 vs. Station 4) of 2.0°C (3.6°F) also observed on February 21. There was no instance in which a temperature elevation in excess of the Iowa water quality standard<sup>20</sup> of 3°C was observed. No other samples taken at Station 4 exhibited temperature differentials in excess of 1.5°C (2.7°F) above ambient. A summary of water temperature differentials between upstream and downstream locations is given in Table 3.

#### Turbidity (Table 4)

Average river turbidity values were somewhat higher than those of the previous two years, due likely to the substantially higher river flows in 1990. Maximum ambient river levels were also higher. Peak values of 140-160 NTU occurred at upstream river locations in late May. Low values (2-10 NTU) occurred during the late fall and winter periods. Turbidity values in the discharge canal continued to be higher than those observed in the upstream river. A maximum discharge canal turbidity of 1,000 NTU was observed on May 23.

#### Solids (Tables 5-7)

Solids determinations included total, dissolved, and suspended. Total solids values in upstream river samples were generally higher than those observed in 1988 and 1989. Values ranged from 300 to 570 mg/L, with the majority falling between 350 and 450 mg/L.

Dissolved solids values were also higher than those of the previous two years. Upstream values ranged from 220 to 380 mg/L. Lowest values accompanied both low flows in April and a period of very high flow in late August. High values continued to occur in the winter. Dissolved solids values at Station 3, 140 feet downstream of the discharge canal, were generally higher than values

observed upstream, but differences were less obvious than those present in 1989. A maximum downstream value of 560 mg/L was observed at Station 3 on March 7.

Suspended solids values at river locations ranged from <1 to 190 mg/L. Low values occurred from January into early March and from mid-November through December, while highest values accompanied higher flows from late May through July.

As in previous years, total and dissolved solids values in the discharge canal were consistently higher than in the river samples. Maximum total solids concentrations of 2,500 mg/L were observed in the discharge canal in late May, while a minimum of 350 mg/L was observed on August 23, when the station was not in operation.

#### Chemical Conditions

##### Dissolved Oxygen (Table 8)

Dissolved oxygen concentrations in river samples collected during 1990 continued to be relatively high, ranging from 6.9 to 20.0 mg/L (84 to 151% saturation). Highest dissolved oxygen concentrations (14-20 mg/L) were observed in the river at intervals from late January to early April, and in November and December in conjunction with clear water and relatively low flow. Lowest values occurred in June and August in conjunction with high river flow.

Dissolved oxygen concentrations in the discharge canal (Station 5) ranged from 6.0 to 12.6 mg/L (74 to 100% saturation). Lowest values occurred in May and June. Highest values were observed in February.

##### Carbon Dioxide (Table 9)

Carbon dioxide concentrations continued to be low throughout the year, ranging from <1 to 5 mg/L. Most values were below 1 mg/L and were consistently below this level at all river locations from October through December. Maximum levels occurred in early January when algal activities were minimal.



Alkalinity, pH, Hardness (Tables 10-14)

These interrelated parameters were influenced by a variety of factors, including hydrological, climatic, and biological conditions. Average total alkalinity values in 1990 river samples were higher than those present in 1989, ranging from 108 to 244 mg/L. Lowest values occurred from late March through August. Unlike the drought years of 1988 and 1989, lowest values did not occur during periods of low flow. Like most years prior to 1987, high values frequently occurred during periods of low flow in November and December.

Carbonate alkalinity was consistently present in river samples during February, April, November, and December when river flows were relatively low. Values ranged from <1 mg/L during January and throughout most of the summer to 14 mg/L in November.

Values for pH in river samples remained relatively high in 1990, ranging from 7.9 to 9.4. Highest values occurred during February and April. As in previous years, highest levels accompanied increased photosynthetic activity.

Total hardness values in the upstream river were higher than those present in 1988 and 1989 and generally paralleled total alkalinity levels. The highest values (360-375 mg/L) occurred during early January and late July, while low values of approximately 170 mg/L occurred during April.

Hardness values in the discharge canal continued to be consistently higher during periods of station operation than upstream river values; a result of reconcentration in the blowdown. Total hardness levels in the discharge canal ranged from 262 mg/L in late February to 1,240 mg/L in early January. Levels downstream of the station were generally higher than upstream values during periods of station operation. In contrast to hardness, total alkalinity and pH values in the discharge canal were generally lower than river values when the



station was operational. Discharge canal values for total alkalinity ranged from 40 to 228. Values for pH ranged from 7.4 to 8.7.

Phosphates (Tables 15 and 16)

Total phosphate concentrations in upstream river samples were generally lower than those observed in 1989. Ambient concentrations in the river ranged from 0.1 mg/L in November to 0.5 mg/L in February. Levels in the discharge canal were usually higher than those observed in the river. Values ranged from 0.2 to 7.0 mg/L.

Orthophosphate concentrations in river samples were frequently less than <0.1 mg/L from early April through July and from September through December. High values of 0.3 mg/L were present in January and early February. As in previous years, orthophosphate concentrations were lower than total phosphate levels, and as expected, the greatest differential between phosphate forms coincided with large plankton populations and the resultant uptake of orthophosphate.

Ammonia (Table 17)

Average ammonia concentrations in the river were somewhat lower than those observed in 1989 but remained above the 1983 to 1988 levels (Table 27). Although concentrations were consistently below detection limits (<0.1 mg/L as N) from April through early December, high concentrations of approximately 0.4 to 1.1 mg/L (as N) occurred in January and early February.

Nitrate (Table 18)

In contrast to the low flow years of 1988 and 1989, mean nitrate concentrations were extremely high, reaching their highest level since 1983, and were the third highest observed during the 1972 to 1990 period (Table 27). During the current year nitrate values in upstream river samples ranged from 1.4 to 17 mg/L (as N). Maximum levels (14-17 mg/L as N) were observed during a

period of high river flow from late May through July. Concentrations in excess of 5 mg/L (as N) were consistently present from May through December.

Nitrate concentrations were frequently higher in the discharge canal than in river samples due to reconcentration in the blowdown. Maximum nitrate concentrations of 42 mg/L (as N) were observed in the discharge canal on March 21 and May 23.

#### Iron (Table 19)

Iron concentrations in the upstream river were higher than those observed during the past two years. Concentrations in upstream river samples ranged from 0.06 to 3.1 mg/L. The maximum value was observed in July. Low values of 0.06 to 0.08 mg/L occurred during January when river flow was low. As in previous years, high iron concentrations were usually observed in association with increased turbidity and suspended solids values, indicating that most of the iron present is in the suspended form rather than in solution. Iron levels continued to be consistently higher in the discharge canal throughout 1990. A maximum iron value of 11.0 mg/L was observed in the canal in May.

### Biological Conditions

#### Biochemical Oxygen Demand (Table 20)

Average five day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>) values were substantially lower than those present in 1988 and 1989, averaging 4.8 mg/L as compared to 9.6 and 10.3 mg/L in 1988 and 1989, respectively (Table 27). Levels in the river ranged from 2 to 17 mg/L. Because of minimal runoff, values observed during the winter and early spring continued to be low, ranging from 2 to 8 mg/L. Maximum BOD values, ranging from 12 to 17 mg/L, were observed in April, accompanied by large algal blooms. Levels remained low, ranging from 2 to 7 mg/L from late May through December.

Coliform Organisms (Tables 21 and 22)

Coliform determinations included enumeration of both fecal coliforms as well as specific determination of Escherichia coli.

Because of problems with interferences in coliform determination, total coliform organisms were discontinued and a new technique, the m-TEC MF procedure, which has been successfully used for the enumeration of thermotolerant Escherichia coli organisms, was instituted in October, 1989. The results of this procedure correlated well with the fecal coliform determinations.

In general, coliform values were higher than those present in 1988 and 1989, especially during the late May-September period when river flows were above normal. Maximum upstream fecal coliform and E. coli levels of 1,700 and 1,500 organisms/100 ml, respectively, were observed on August 23 at the beginning of a period of increasing runoff. Low values of less than 10 organisms/100 ml were frequently observed during periods of low river flow.

Both fecal coliform and E. coli levels were frequently higher in the discharge canal (Station 5) and in the mixing zone 140 feet downstream of the discharge (Station 3) than at upstream locations. Maximum fecal coliform and E. coli concentrations of 13,000 and 11,000 organisms/100 ml, respectively, were observed in samples from the discharge canal on October 3, collected during a moderate rain of approximately 0.3 inches. These high values resulted in yearly maximum levels of 1,500 organisms/100 ml of both E. coli and fecal coliform in the mixing zone at Station 3, as well as significant increases outside of the mixing zone.

Currently the NPDES permit for discharges from the Duanne Arnold Energy Center includes a limit on fecal coliform for the sewage treatment plant effluent, but does not require fecal coliform monitoring of the blowdown discharge. However, the E. coli and fecal coliform values of 690 and 720



organisms/ml, respectively, which were present at Station 4 on this date were in excess of the Iowa Water Quality Standards for Class A waters<sup>20</sup>, which state that:

From April 1 through October 31 fecal coliform content shall not exceed 200 organisms/100 ml, except when the waters are materially affected by surface runoff; but in no case shall fecal coliform levels downstream from a discharge which may contain human pathogens be more than 200 organisms/100 ml higher than the background level upstream from the discharge.

Since background coliform levels at this time were 200 organisms/100 ml or less, the downstream values were well in excess of this standard. The cause of these high fecal coliform values was not immediately determined, but runoff from the immediate area into the discharge canal was considered a probable cause. As a result, special studies were conducted by the University Hygienic Laboratory on December 20, 1990, which indicated relatively high fecal coliform and E. coli populations of 9,600 and 8,900 organisms/100 ml, respectively, in a portion of a roadside storm sewer that ultimately empties into the midsection of the station's discharge canal. Although flow in the storm sewer was minimal at the time of sampling, it is likely that substantial numbers of organisms could enter the discharge canal during periods of increased runoff from the adjacent lands into the storm sewer.

#### ADDITIONAL STUDIES

In addition to the routine monthly studies a number of seasonal limnological and water quality investigations were conducted during 1990. The studies discussed here include additional chemical determinations, benthic

studies, and Asiatic clam (Corbicula) and Zebra mussel (Dreissena) surveys and impingement determinations.

#### Additional Chemical Determinations

Samples for additional chemical determinations were collected on April 11 and July 25 and analyzed for chlorides, sulfates, chromium, copper, lead, manganese, mercury, and zinc. In general, concentrations of all parameters in river samples fell within the expected ranges and were similar to those observed during the previous year.

Concentrations of most heavy metals in both the April and July, 1990 samples remained low. With the exception of manganese and zinc, heavy metal values were below detection limits in all river samples. Manganese was present in all river samples at concentrations ranging from 100 to 170 ug/L. Detectable levels of zinc (20 and 210 ug/L) were present in two river samples, the highest value occurring upstream of the station in April. No violations of water quality standards for heavy metals were observed.

Reconcentration of solids in the blowdown resulted in slight increases in copper in the July samples, and substantial increases in manganese and zinc in the April samples from the discharge canal. Relatively high sulfate concentrations were also observed in the discharge canal in April with lesser increases at the downstream locations. Higher sulfate levels are due in part to the addition of sulfuric acid for pH control in the cooling water. The results of additional chemical determinations are given in Table 23.

#### Benthic Studies

The extremely high river stage present during the late spring and summer of 1990 disrupted the routine benthic studies. Attempts to collect Ponar dredge samples in the river upstream and downstream of the station on May 23 were

unsuccessful, and Ponar samples were not collected until June 1: No macroinvertebrates were observed in either of the samples. Ponar dredge samples collected on November 15 were also free of benthic macroinvertebrates. These results are compatible with earlier studies that indicated the shifting sand and silt bottom supports a benthic community of very limited size and diversity. Only three organisms were found in the 1987 and 1989 Ponar dredge samples and no organisms were found in the 1988 samples.

Artificial substrates (Hester-Dendy) were placed at sampling locations upstream and downstream of the station on May 11 and July 20, but could not be retrieved due to the extremely high river flows. A third attempt was made to install substrates on September 21, and these substrates were finally retrieved on November 1 following a six week colonization period.

As in previous years, artificial substrate samples were characterized by greater numbers and species diversity than the natural substrate (Ponar dredge) samples. However, the diversity was somewhat lower than had been observed in the last two years. A total of 20 taxa were identified during the September-November sample period. Caddisfly (trichoptera) and midge (chironomid) larvae continued to be the most common organisms observed on the river substrates. The discharge canal samples continued to be dominated by the snail Physa sp.

In general, there was little difference in the overall composition of the benthic populations between upstream and downstream locations, although differences between the four individual stations were present. The total numbers of organisms were substantially higher at the Lewis Access station than at the other three river locations, and both numbers and diversity were far lower in the discharge canal.

As in previous years, the artificial substrate studies indicate the Cedar River, both upstream and downstream of the Duane Arnold Energy Center, is capable



of supporting a relatively diverse macroinvertebrate fauna in those limited areas where suitable bottom habitat is available. The results of the benthic studies are given in Table 24.

#### Asiatic Clam and Zebra Mussel Surveys

In past years several power generation facilities have experienced problems with blockage of cooling water intake systems by large numbers of Asiatic clams (Corbicula sp.). Although this clam is common in portions of the Iowa reach of the Mississippi River, it is normally absent from areas with shifting sand/silt substrates such as occur in the Cedar River in the vicinity of the Duane Arnold Energy Center. Corbicula has not been collected from the Cedar River in the vicinity of the DAEC during the routine monitoring program, which was implemented in April of 1971. A single Corbicula was, however, collected in January of 1979 in the vicinity of Lewis Access, upstream of DAEC, by Hazelton personnel. Because Corbicula has been collected on one occasion from the Cedar River and is commonly found in power plant intakes on the Mississippi River, studies were implemented at the Duane Arnold Energy Center in 1981 to determine if the organism was present in the vicinity of the station or had established itself within the system. No Corbicula were collected during the 1981 to 1989 investigations. The Asiatic clam studies were continued during 1990. Samples were taken on May 23, June 1, and November 15, 1990. All of the surveys conducted during 1990 continued to be negative.

The Zebra mussel (Dreissena polymorpha) is a European form which was first found in the United States in 1988. Apparently this clam entered the St. Lawrence Seaway from ships that used fresh water from Europe as a ballast and then dumped the water when they reached the United States.<sup>21</sup>

The mussel has caused major problems in water intakes in Europe for many years and is now causing significant problems at Detroit Edison power plant

intakes. The organisms tend to grow in clumps attached to a solid substrate and can rapidly clog intake structures, screens, and pipes. It is difficult to control chemically and must be removed mechanically.

The mussel is adapted to both river and lake habitats and does especially well in enriched waters which support large plankton populations that it utilizes as food. Unlike the Asiatic clam (Corbicula), it is capable of living in cold waters and does not require a silty substrate.

Currently this mussel has been found in the Detroit River and in Lakes Erie and St. Clair, but is likely to migrate into other Great Lakes and the Mississippi River drainage. Although it is impossible to make exact estimates, it will probably be found in these areas within five to eight years. If and when it does colonize these waters, problems with intake structures and power plants in the area are likely to occur.

As a result of these concerns, studies designed to detect the presence of the Zebra mussel were instituted in 1990. Sampling was performed at two locations in the discharge canal and two river locations, upstream and downstream of the station, using a mussel rake and/or Ponar dredge on June 1 and November 15. The intake bay, between the bar racks and the traveling screens, and the collection basin of the cooling tower were also sampled. In addition, visual inspections for Zebra mussel were also made in the cooling tower basin and along the river shoreline area. The shoreline and littoral area around the discharge structure at Pleasant Creek Lake was also inspected for the presence of the Zebra mussel. Concrete blocks were placed near the Pleasant Creek Lake discharge structure on March 21, 1990, to serve as artificial substrates for Zebra mussel colonization and were examined at intervals. None of the surveys conducted during 1990 revealed the presence of any of these mussels.



### Impingement Studies

The total numbers of fish impinged on the intake screens at the Duane Arnold Energy Center during 1990, as reported by Iowa Electric personnel, was far lower than in 1989 but still substantially higher than in years prior to 1988. Daily counts conducted by DAEC station personnel indicated a total of 1,981 fish were impinged during 1990. Highest impingement rates continued to occur during the winter and early spring period. During the months of January, February, and March 1,621 fish, or approximately 82% of the yearly impingement total, were removed from the trash baskets. Lowest impingement rates occurred from July through October when only 60 fish were removed from the trash baskets. As in 1989, the month with the highest impingement rate was March, when 1,261 fish were collected in the trash baskets. The results of the daily trash basket counts are given in Table 25.

### DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

The extended drought which characterized 1988 and 1989 ended in the spring of 1990 and resulted in significant changes in the hydrology and water quality of the Cedar River in the vicinity of the Duane Arnold Energy Center. The mean river flow of approximately 5,061 cfs was over five times that present in 1989 and slightly above the 1972 to 1990 mean of approximately 4,624 cfs.

Even during low flow periods the impact of station operation on the water quality of the Cedar River has generally been low, and as expected, these effects were minimal during the current year. In 1990 temperature increases in the discharge canal observed during sampling periods when the station was operational were as much as 18.0°C (32.4°F) above ambient river levels and averaged 7.2°C (13.0°F). However, downstream temperatures one-half mile below the plant averaged only 1.0°C (1.8°F) above ambient during periods of station operation and



never exceeded upstream temperatures by more than  $2.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $3.6^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). Temperature differentials ( $\Delta T$ ) within the mixing zone (Station 3) were almost identical, never exceeding  $3.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $5.4^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) and averaging only  $1.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $1.8^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). On no occasion was an observed temperature differential in excess of the  $3^{\circ}\text{C}$  water quality standard.<sup>20</sup>

Several other parameters, i.e., dissolved solids, hardness, phosphate, nitrate, and iron continued to be present in substantially higher concentrations in the discharge canal during periods of station operation than at upstream locations, due to reconcentration in the blowdown discharge. Concentrations of these substances were also usually higher in the mixing zone (Station 3), but these increases were less evident than those present in 1988 and 1989.<sup>18,19</sup> Increases downstream of the mixing zone at Station 4 were substantially less and generally similar to those observed in 1989. A comparison of average values for the abovementioned parameters at upstream and downstream locations and in the discharge canal during periods of station operation are summarized in Table 26.

With the exception of a single sampling period, discussed earlier, when coliform levels at the downstream station were unusually high, there were no other incidents during the 1990 study where an exceedence of the applicable Iowa Water Quality Standards was observed which could possibly be attributed to activities at the Duane Arnold Energy Center. Some pH values in excess of the 9 Standard were present at both upstream and downstream locations in both February and April, but these high values were the result of algal photosynthesis and were unrelated to station operation.

Although station operation had little impact on river water quality, the effects of the markedly increased river flow following the extended drought were evident. The minimal precipitation which contributed to low levels of a number of parameters generally associated with runoff from agricultural lands in the

basin persisted through early March, and as expected, mean levels of several substances which normally enter the river as a component of agricultural land runoff or associated with sediment continued to be low during the early part of 1990. This included turbidity, suspended solids, iron, coliform organisms, and nitrate. Levels of these parameters, especially nitrates, increased by March 21 following heavy rains which disrupted the extended dry period and resulted in marked increases in river discharge. Because of reduced soil moisture resulting from the extended drought, river stage declined rapidly following the initial early spring runoff. As a result, levels of the abovementioned parameters declined and remained low throughout April and early May. However, dissolved oxygen, pH, and BOD values increased as warmer temperatures and clear waters associated with the lower river flow contributed to the reestablishment of large algal populations and subsequent increases in photosynthetic activity.

The late May to early September period was characterized by extremely high river flows resulting in substantially higher turbidity, suspended solids, nitrate, iron, and fecal coliform values, and lower pH, dissolved oxygen, and BOD values than were present during the comparable period in 1988 or 1989. The effects of higher flows becomes evident when the average yearly values for nitrate and BOD are examined (Table 27), and are especially marked when relative loading values obtained by multiplying average concentrations by cumulative runoff are compared (Table 28).

Increased rainfall also resulted in a marked reversal in the trend towards low total hardness values which, in 1989, reached the lowest average level since the study was implemented in 1972, but rose in 1990 to the second highest value observed during the study period (Table 27). It appears that the low values observed in 1988 and 1989<sup>18,19</sup> were the result of the rapid downward movement of surface water through the dry unconsolidated surficial deposits into the shallow



aquifers feeding the Cedar River. This rapid movement of water shortens its residence time in the surface deposits and shallow aquifer, and reduces the time available for the solubilization of calciferous materials. Obviously this trend was reversed in 1990.

As in previous years, the operation of the Duane Arnold Energy Center during 1990 appeared to have a minimal impact on the fish and other aquatic organisms in the Cedar River adjacent to the station. The benthic community of the Cedar River in the vicinity of the Duane Arnold Energy Center has been characterized by low diversity and productivity throughout the entire study period, and the paucity of organisms in bottom samples taken in 1990 is not unusual. This condition is unrelated to either station operation or poor water quality, however. The river bottom in the vicinity of the Duane Arnold Energy Center is characterized by a shifting sand and silt substrate, which is not conducive to the development of a diverse or productive benthic community. When artificial substrates (Hester-Dendy) have been placed in the Cedar River, however, they develop populations which are characterized by relatively high species diversity and many organisms indicative of relatively good water quality. Because of high flows the spring and summer artificial substrate studies could not be completed, but substrates installed upstream and downstream of the station during the fall of 1990 generally supported populations exhibiting similar composition and diversity, indicating that the impact of station operation on the benthic community of the Cedar River remains minimal.

During 1990 the total numbers of fish impinged on the intake screens at the Duane Arnold Energy Center was substantially less than present in 1989, but still above levels observed in prior years. Most of the impingement continued to occur during the January-March period when 1,621 fish, or approximately 82% of the 1990 yearly total of 1,981 were impinged. Increased impingement levels during the



winter period appear to be related to the recirculation of warm water into the intake for deicing purposes, which attracts fish to the area that are subsequently impinged. Impingement rates were low during the remainder of the year, and since the problem was of short duration and was confined primarily to smaller fish, the impact on the fishery of the Cedar River was not considered to be significant.

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Table 1  
Summary of Hydrological Conditions  
Cedar River at Cedar Rapids\*  
1990

Date	Mean Monthly Discharge cfs	Percent of 1951-1980 Median Discharge
January	360	34
February	439	36
March	2,888	54
April	1,725	30
May	6,001	140
June	11,830	279
July	7,517	229
August	17,540	870
September	6,158	345
October	2,461	165
November	2,002	108
December	1,810	144

\*Data obtained from U.S. Geological Survey record

Table 2

Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) Values from the Cedar River Near  
the Duane Arnold Energy Center During 1990

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	Upstream of Plant	Upstream of Plant Intake	Discharge Canal	140 Feet Downstream of Discharge	1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant
	1	2	5	3	4
Jan 10	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.5	1.5
Jan 24	0.5	0.5	11.5	1.5	2.0
Feb 07	0.5	0.5	5.5	1.5	1.5
Feb 21	0.5	0.5	6.5	2.5	2.5
Mar 07	0.5	0.5	16.0	3.5	1.0
Mar 21	5.5	6.0	23.5	6.5	7.5
Apr 11	5.0	6.0	11.0	6.0	7.0
Apr 25	22.0	22.0	28.0	22.0	23.0
May 09	18.5	19.0	25.5	19.0	18.5
May 23	14.5	14.5	26.0	15.0	15.0
Jun 13	24.0	24.0	30.0	24.0	24.0
Jun 27	25.5	25.0	32.0	25.0	25.0
Jul 11	22.5	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
Jul 25	23.0	23.5	29.0	23.5	23.5
Aug 08	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0
Aug 23	21.5	22.0	24.0	22.0	22.0
Sep 05	23.0	24.5	26.0	25.0	25.0
Sep 19	15.0	16.0	16.0	15.5	16.0
Oct 03	17.5	17.0	19.5	17.0	17.0
Oct 17	14.5	14.5	23.5	15.5	14.5
Nov 01	12.5	13.5	24.0	14.5	14.0
Nov 15	12.6	13.2	12.2	13.4	13.3
Dec 05	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.5	1.5
Dec 20	1.5	1.5	5.0	2.0	2.5

Table 3

Summary of Water Temperature Differentials  
and Station Output During Periods of  
Cedar River Sampling During 1990

Date	$\Delta T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) Upstream River (Sta. 2) vs. Discharge. (Sta. 5)	$\Delta T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) Upstream River (Sta. 2) vs. Downstream River (Sta. 3)	$\Delta T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) Upstream River (Sta. 2) vs. Downstream River (Sta. 4)	Station Output (% Full Power)
Jan 10	2.0	0.5	1.5	100
Jan 24	11.0	1.0	1.5	100
Feb 07	5.0	1.0	1.0	100
Feb 21	6.0	2.0	2.0	100
Mar 07	15.5	3.0	1.0	100
Mar 21	18.0	0.5	1.5	100
Apr 11	5.0	0.0	1.0	99
Apr 25	6.0	0.0	1.0	75
May 09	6.5	0.0	-0.5	83
May 23	11.5	0.5	0.5	83
Jun 13	6.0	0.0	0.0	83
Jun 27	7.0	0.0	0.0	80
Jul 11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Jul 25	5.5	0.0	0.0	0
Aug 08	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Aug 23	2.0	0.0	0.0	0
Sep 05	1.5	0.5	0.5	0
Sep 19	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0
Oct 03	2.5	0.0	0.0	52
Oct 17	9.0	1.5	0.0	66
Nov 01	10.5	1.0	0.5	99
Nov 15	-1.0	0.2	0.1	99
Dec 05	1.5	0.5	1.5	98
Dec 20	3.5	0.5	1.0	99



Table 4

Turbidity (NTU) Values from the Cedar River Near  
the Duane Arnold Energy Center During 1990

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	2	2	5	2	2
Jan 24	2	3	4	2	9
Feb 07	9	10	12	11	10
Feb 21	5	5	5	6	7
Mar 07	6	14	24	9	11
Mar 21	37	37	160	40	36
Apr 11	20	20	120	19	21
Apr 25	34	31	72	38	34
May 09	40	40	110	44	41
May 23	140	160	1000	160	150
Jun 13	59	57	140	62	64
Jun 27	74	68	150	74	70
Jul 11	74	72	58	70	70
Jul 25	63	69	24	65	67
Aug 08	50	52	39	50	46
Aug 23	64	68	52	61	65
Sep 05	43	44	35	43	44
Sep 19	25	28	24	28	28
Oct 03	18	44	330	78	37
Oct 17	12	14	26	19	14
Nov 01	6	10	28	10	10
Nov 15	5	5	7	5	6
Dec 05	6	8	10	7	8
Dec 20	5	3	10	3	5

Table 5

Total Solids (mg/L) Values

<u>Date</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream</u> <u>of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream</u> <u>of Plant</u> <u>Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge</u> <u>Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet</u> <u>Downstream</u> <u>of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile</u> <u>Downstream</u> <u>from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	390	400	2100	440	430
Jan 24	380	360	1000	400	420
Feb 07	350	360	1900	500	410
Feb 21	380	350	450	500	440
Mar 07	380	370	1900	610	500
Mar 21	390	380	1800	430	390
Apr 11	340	340	700	290	310
Apr 25	300	310	1400	320	310
May 09	390	410	2000	460	390
May 23	550	540	2500	580	560
Jun 13	480	480	1400	490	490
Jun 27	570	570	1300	650	580
Jul 11	490	490	450	470	480
Jul 25	490	490	370	480	480
Aug 08	420	370	370	400	400
Aug 23	370	380	350	360	360
Sep 05	510	500	450	480	500
Sep 19	380	410	400	400	400
Oct 03	350	370	890	480	400
Oct 17	350	360	1500	530	420
Nov 01	360	350	1900	510	400
Nov 15	390	400	460	410	420
Dec 05	390	390	1200	400	410
Dec 20	430	410	940	420	440

Table 6

Dissolved Solids (mg/L) values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	380	360	2100	400	400
Jan 24	350	340	980	380	400
Feb 07	330	330	1800	460	380
Feb 21	350	310	430	460	390
Mar 07	360	360	1800	560	470
Mar 21	310	320	1400	350	330
Apr 11	280	240	390	220	280
Apr 25	220	220	1200	240	250
May 09	300	280	1800	330	310
May 23	350	340	1300	360	330
Jun 13	360	350	1200	360	370
Jun 27	380	370	970	430	390
Jul 11	330	330	320	330	330
Jul 25	340	330	330	350	330
Aug 08	300	300	320	310	310
Aug 23	240	240	260	250	250
Sep 05	380	380	370	370	380
Sep 19	350	310	330	330	330
Oct 03	290	280	450	310	300
Oct 17	310	290	1300	440	320
Nov 01	320	320	1800	470	370
Nov 15	360	350	420	380	360
Dec 05	350	360	1200	370	380
Dec 20	380	380	890	390	400



Table 7

Suspended Solids (mg/L) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Jan 24	22	2	10	4	16
Feb 07	9	12	17	12	14
Feb 21	8	12	10	10	21
Mar 07	11	15	30	19	16
Mar 21	51	51	180	53	48
Apr 11	48	45	280	45	48
Apr 25	76	85	110	92	73
May 09	82	91	160	86	89
May 23	170	190	1100	190	180
Jun 13	110	110	200	110	110
Jun 27	110	100	200	120	100
Jul 11	120	120	93	110	120
Jul 25	130	120	24	110	110
Aug 08	70	68	53	69	65
Aug 23	84	92	63	86	93
Sep 05	81	81	53	77	80
Sep 19	54	58	50	63	68
Oct 03	40	86	400	110	64
Oct 17	33	36	47	50	39
Nov 01	24	26	41	25	26
Nov 15	10	13	11	13	18
Dec 05	13	13	12	13	13
Dec 20	12	9	8	8	9

Table 8

Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) Values

<u>Date</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream</u> <u>of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream</u> <u>of Plant</u> <u>Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge</u> <u>Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet</u> <u>Downstream</u> <u>of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile</u> <u>Downstream</u> <u>from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	11.0	11.5	11.0	11.6	12.5
Jan 24	13.4	16.0	11.5	15.1	15.0
Feb 07	14.9	15.4	12.6	14.8	16.8
Feb 21	18.2	19.0	11.6	17.8	18.1
Mar 07	20.0	20.0	12.0	20.0	20.0
Mar 21	11.0	11.0	7.6	10.8	10.9
Apr 11	14.2	15.2	12.5	15.9	14.9
Apr 25	10.6	11.6	7.0	12.2	13.2
May 09	9.1	9.0	6.2	9.2	9.4
May 23	8.4	8.4	6.0	8.2	8.2
Jun 13	7.5	7.5	6.4	7.5	7.4
Jun 27	6.9	6.9	7.1	7.0	7.1
Jul 11	8.1	8.9	8.8	9.0	9.0
Jul 25	7.9	7.6	6.9	8.0	8.1
Aug 08	8.0	8.6	10.2	8.6	8.6
Aug 23	7.2	7.0	7.2	7.0	7.0
Sep 05	7.9	8.2	7.9	8.3	8.4
Sep 19	10.2	10.4	11.1	10.2	10.4
Oct 03	10.1	9.4	8.0	9.1	9.4
Oct 17	12.5	13.3	7.1	12.3	13.2
Nov 01	12.1	14.1	7.2	13.6	15.0
Nov 15	12.6	13.2	12.2	13.4	13.3
Dec 05	14.6	14.4	10.9	15.2	15.1
Dec 20	14.4	14.4	11.5	13.8	13.8

Table 9

## Carbon Dioxide (mg/L) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	5	4	2	5	3
Jan 24	3	2	*	3	3
Feb 07	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
Feb 21	<1	<1	3	<1	<1
Mar 07	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
Mar 21	<1	<1	*	3	3
Apr 11	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Apr 25	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
May 09	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
May 23	4	3	*	2	3
Jun 13	1	1	2	1	1
Jun 27	2	2	*	2	2
Jul 11	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Jul 25	2	2	2	2	2
Aug 08	2	2	2	2	2
Aug 23	3	3	3	3	3
Sep 05	2	<1	1	<1	<1
Sep 19	2	2	<1	2	1
Oct 03	<2	<1	2	<1	<1
Oct 17	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
Nov 01	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
Nov 15	<1	<1	2	<1	<1
Dec 05	<1	<1	*	<1	<1
Dec 20	<1	<1	*	<1	<1

\*Unable to calculate



Table 10

Total Alkalinity (mg/L - CaCO<sub>3</sub>) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	210	210	96	218	206
Jan 24	210	204	40	190	202
Feb 07	196	198	100	186	188
Feb 21	224	200	28	202	200
Mar 07	204	206	108	186	194
Mar 21	140	144	96	134	138
Apr 11	146	142	146	142	140
Apr 25	110	108	96	108	108
May 09	138	138	86	134	132
May 23	138	134	88	132	130
Jun 13	180	180	90	180	180
Jun 27	174	170	126	168	168
Jul 11	180	180	184	180	180
Jul 25	182	182	170	178	166
Aug 08	174	166	172	168	166
Aug 23	144	146	150	144	142
Sep 05	232	226	228	228	222
Sep 19	206	208	206	202	208
Oct 03	196	196	174	184	190
Oct 17	210	204	100	200	202
Nov 01	210	196	102	202	212
Nov 15	228	232	224	230	226
Dec 05	244	240	140	230	224
Dec 20	232	230	184	238	226

Table 11

Carbonate Alkalinity (mg/L -  $\text{CaCO}_3$ ) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Jan 24	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Feb 07	6	6	<1	8	4
Feb 21	8	8	<1	10	8
Mar 07	8	10	<1	4	8
Mar 21	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Apr 11	6	8	6	8	8
Apr 25	4	6	<1	8	8
May 09	2	2	<1	2	2
May 23	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Jun 13	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Jun 27	<1	<1	2	<1	<1
Jul 11	6	6	2	4	4
Jul 25	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Aug 08	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Aug 23	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Sep 05	<1	4	14	6	6
Sep 19	<1	<1	8	<1	2
Oct 03	2	2	<1	2	4
Oct 17	4	4	<1	3	4
Nov 01	8	8	0	8	14
Nov 15	10	10	<1	4	14
Dec 05	6	6	<1	6	8
Dec 20	4	6	<1	8	12

Table 12

Units of pH from the Cedar River

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	Upstream of Plant	Upstream of Plant Intake	Discharge Canal	140 Feet Downstream of Discharge	1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant
	1	2	5	3	4
Jan 10	8.1	8.2	8.0	8.1	8.2
Jan 24	8.3	8.4	7.7	8.3	8.3
Feb 07	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.2
Feb 21	8.9	9.1	7.6	9.0	9.0
Mar 07	8.8	8.8	7.4	8.8	8.4
Mar 21	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.1
Apr 11	8.8	8.9	8.6	8.9	8.9
Apr 25	9.2	9.3	8.2	9.4	9.4
May 09	8.5	8.6	7.9	8.6	8.7
May 23	7.9	8.0	7.7	8.0	8.0
Jun 13	8.5	8.4	7.8	8.5	8.4
Jun 27	8.2	8.1	8.6	8.1	8.1
Jul 11	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.7
Jul 25	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Aug 08	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.1	8.1
Aug 23	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Sep 05	8.3	8.4	8.7	8.5	8.4
Sep 19	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.4	8.5
Oct 03	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.4
Oct 17	8.9	8.9	8.0	8.9	8.9
Nov 01	8.7	8.7	7.7	8.7	8.8
Nov 15	8.5	8.6	8.3	8.5	8.6
Dec 05	8.6	8.6	7.6	8.7	8.7
Dec 20	8.5	8.5	7.8	8.5	8.5



Table 13

Total Hardness (mg/L - CaCO<sub>3</sub>) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	310	375	1240	325	345
Jan 24	274	270	566	294	300
Feb 07	251	245	1130	265	295
Feb 21	294	274	262	390	316
Mar 07	280	265	1080	390	320
Mar 21	258	260	1040	268	284
Apr 11	215	210	310	315	235
Apr 25	170	170	740	175	195
May 09	230	230	1170	275	260
May 23	280	270	1080	280	295
Jun 13	290	265	765	290	300
Jun 27	310	300	670	300	305
Jul 11	285	280	285	275	295
Jul 25	*	360	340	350	370
Aug 08	230	240	240	240	240
Aug 23	205	215	220	210	210
Sep 05	315	320	310	330	315
Sep 19	285	280	285	295	280
Oct 03	314	288	345	284	310
Oct 17	285	285	870	355	295
Nov 01	290	285	1180	370	308
Nov 15	305	315	335	320	310
Dec 05	290	310	810	310	330
Dec 20	350	355	655	355	365

\*Laboratory accident

Table 14

Calcium Hardness (mg/L - CaCO<sub>3</sub>)

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	180	190	710	190	220
Jan 24	168	174	330	196	202
Feb 07	150	160	711	205	170
Feb 21	174	186	152	222	200
Mar 07	171	175	708	236	211
Mar 21	160	170	690	180	180
Apr 11	120	120	190	120	130
Apr 25	95	90	390	95	95
May 09	140	135	730	170	165
May 23	185	180	660	205	180
Jun 13	195	215	510	195	200
Jun 27	210	210	460	220	210
Jul 11	175	175	190	180	170
Jul 25	210	210	190	230	220
Aug 08	160	160	160	140	150
Aug 23	145	140	150	135	145
Sep 05	215	215	220	220	220
Sep 19	190	180	180	190	180
Oct 03	172	178	230	192	180
Oct 17	180	215	571	220	195
Nov 01	180	170	750	240	240
Nov 15	195	200	225	210	200
Dec 05	200	200	520	200	200
Dec 20	215	205	440	220	220

Table 15

## Total Phosphorus (mg/L-P) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	Upstream of Plant 1	Upstream of Plant Intake 2	Discharge Canal 5	140 Feet Downstream of Discharge 3	1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant 4
Jan 10	0.3	0.3	1.3	0.3	0.3
Jan 24	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.4	0.4
Feb 07	0.5	0.4	1.4	0.5	0.5
Feb 21	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Mar 07	0.4	0.3	1.2	0.5	0.4
Mar 21	0.4	0.4	1.9	0.4	0.4
Apr 11	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2
Apr 25	0.2	0.3	1.2	0.3	0.3
May 09	0.3	0.2	1.3	0.3	0.2
May 23	0.4	0.4	2.8	0.5	0.4
Jun 13	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.3	0.3
Jun 27	0.3	0.3	7.0	0.3	0.3
Jul 11	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Jul 25	0.3	0.3	2.0	0.3	0.4
Aug 08	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Aug 23	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Sep 05	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Sep 19	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.2
Oct 03	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.3	0.2
Oct 17	0.2	0.1	2.0	0.4	0.2
Nov 01	0.3	0.2	1.5	0.3	0.2
Nov 15	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Dec 05	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.2
Dec 20	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2



Table 16

## Soluble Orthophosphate (mg/L-P) Values

<u>Date</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream</u> <u>of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream</u> <u>of Plant</u> <u>Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge</u> <u>Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet</u> <u>Downstream</u> <u>of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile</u> <u>Downstream</u> <u>from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.3	0.3
Jan 24	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3
Feb 07	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.3	0.3
Feb 21	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mar 07	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1
Mar 21	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2
Apr 11	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Apr 25	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	<0.1	<0.1
May 09	<0.1	<0.1	0.3	<0.1	<0.1
May 23	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1
Jun 13	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Jun 27	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2
Jul 11	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Jul 25	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Aug 08	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2
Aug 23	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Sep 05	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Sep 19	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1
Oct 03	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	<0.1	<0.1
Oct 17	<0.1	<0.1	0.5	<0.1	<0.1
Nov 01	<0.1	<0.1	0.5	<0.1	<0.1
Nov 15	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Dec 05	<0.1	<0.1	0.3	<0.1	<0.1
Dec 20	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1

Table 17

Ammonia (mg/L-N) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	1.1	1.1	0.3	1.1	1.1
Jan 24	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.6	0.6
Feb 07	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4
Feb 21	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	<0.1	<0.1
Mar 07	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Mar 21	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4
Apr 11	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Apr 25	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
May 09	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
May 23	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Jun 13	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Jun 27	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Jul 11	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Jul 25	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Aug 08	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Aug 23	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Sep 05	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Sep 19	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1
Oct 03	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Oct 17	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Nov 01	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Nov 15	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Dec 05	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Dec 20	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2

Table 18  
Nitrate (mg/L-N) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	3.6	3.6	14.0	4.0	4.2
Jan 24	3.4	3.4	6.6	3.9	4.0
Feb 07	3.3	3.3	13.0	4.1	3.7
Feb 21	3.3	3.4	2.2	4.4	3.8
Mar 07	2.5	2.5	9.2	4.2	3.1
Mar 21	12.0	11.0	42.0	12.0	12.0
Apr 11	2.3	2.3	3.0	2.3	2.4
Apr 25	1.4	1.4	5.3	1.3	1.4
May 09	7.6	7.6	30.0	8.0	7.8
May 23	17.0	16.0	42.0	16.0	16.0
Jun 13	11.0	11.0	25.0	10.0	11.0
Jun 27	17.0	17.0	35.0	17.0	16.0
Jul 11	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.4	9.5
Jul 25	14.0	13.0	11.0	13.0	13.0
Aug 08	9.0	9.0	8.5	9.0	9.1
Aug 23	7.0	6.9	6.3	6.9	6.9
Sep 05	9.7	9.8	8.4	9.7	9.7
Sep 19	6.4	6.3	5.4	6.2	6.4
Oct 03	5.4	5.3	4.5	5.2	5.3
Oct 17	5.8	5.7	16.0	6.8	5.9
Nov 01	5.3	5.2	19.0	6.6	5.5
Nov 15	6.7	6.7	7.0	7.0	6.9
Dec 05	5.3	5.3	11.0	5.4	5.6
Dec 20	7.6	7.6	8.8	7.7	7.9



Table 19  
Total Iron (mg/L) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	0.08	0.07	0.44	0.07	0.08
Jan 24	0.08	0.06	0.52	0.08	0.26
Feb 07	0.22	0.21	0.45	0.18	0.24
Feb 21	0.16	0.08	0.22	0.19	0.07
Mar 07	0.09	0.10	0.46	0.20	0.16
Mar 21	0.72	0.68	2.90	0.74	0.67
Apr 11	0.28	0.35	2.20	0.29	0.29
Apr 25	0.17	0.17	0.64	0.20	0.18
May 09	0.21	0.22	1.30	0.34	0.27
May 23	1.40	1.80	11.0	1.80	1.50
Jun 13	0.68	0.70	2.50	0.79	0.79
Jun 27	1.20	1.20	2.70	1.20	1.10
Jul 11	0.62	0.68	0.66	0.65	0.67
Jul 25	3.10	3.00	0.14	2.80	2.70
Aug 08	0.72	0.78	0.59	0.68	0.75
Aug 23	1.50	1.50	1.10	1.50	1.30
Sep 05	0.67	0.65	0.53	0.68	0.69
Sep 19	0.48	0.63	0.70	0.73	0.50
Oct 03	0.23	0.51	2.40	0.72	0.47
Oct 17	0.17	0.18	0.74	0.47	0.19
Nov 01	0.10	0.14	0.54	0.14	0.11
Nov 15	0.13	0.16	0.24	0.16	0.20
Dec 05	0.13	0.13	0.49	0.15	0.14
Dec 20	0.14	0.15	0.36	0.12	0.15

Table 20

Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day in mg/L) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	2	2	3	2	3
Jan 24	2	3	11	3	3
Feb 07	6	7	6	7	7
Feb 21	6	7	2	8	7
Mar 07	6	6	12	7	7
Mar 21	3	4	8	4	4
Apr 11	12	12	23	12	12
Apr 25	16	15	27	17	17
May 09	9	10	22	10	10
May 23	3	3	9	3	3
Jun 13	4	3	12	4	4
Jun 27	2	2	3	2	2
Jul 11	7	7	7	8	7
Jul 25	2	2	2	2	2
Aug 08	2	2	1	2	2
Aug 23	3	3	2	3	2
Sep 05	3	3	2	3	3
Sep 19	6	6	6	4	6
Oct 03	5	5	8	5	6
Oct 17	4	5	13	5	5
Nov 01	4	5	14	6	5
Nov 15	2	2	2	2	2
Dec 05	3	4	3	4	4
Dec 20	2	2	1	2	2

Table 21

Coliform Bacteria (Fecal Organisms/100 ml) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	10	30	160	<10	<10
Jan 24	<10	<10	320	<10	10
Feb 07	30	50	50	20	40
Feb 21	<10	<10	30	10	<10
Mar 07	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Mar 21	90	70	1200	200	80
Apr 11	10	10	*	<10	10
Apr 25	<10	10	*	10	<10
May 09	50	20	60	60	10
May 23	660	640	90	730	510
Jun 13	20	60	*	50	70
Jun 27	390	400	*	620	440
Jul 11	210	270	290	340	330
Jul 25	460	460	810	430	330
Aug 08	190	160	190	210	210
Aug 23	1700	1200	800	1000	800
Sep 05	810	1100	530	1100	910
Sep 19	240	150	100	170	170
Oct 03	130	200	13000	1500	720
Oct 17	40	40	150	30	10
Nov 01	<10	<10	160	20	10
Nov 15	10	20	60	10	40
Dec 05	40	20	290	30	<10
Dec 20	210	30	1300	50	30

\*Unable to quantify



Table 22

Coliform Bacteria (*E. coli*/100 ml) Values

Date 1990	<u>Sampling Locations</u>				
	<u>Upstream of Plant</u> 1	<u>Upstream of Plant Intake</u> 2	<u>Discharge Canal</u> 5	<u>140 Feet Downstream of Discharge</u> 3	<u>1/2 Mile Downstream from Plant</u> 4
Jan 10	30	20	120	10	10
Jan 24	<10	10	350	<10	10
Feb 07	30	30	50	20	60
Feb 21	<10	<10	50	<10	10
Mar 07	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Mar 21	100	30	300	60	50
Apr 11	<10	<10	30	10	<10
Apr 25	10	<10	50	10	<10
May 09	30	20	60	10	<10
May 23	540	670	120	490	570
Jun 13	40	80	100	60	50
Jun 27	460	410	800	460	570
Jul 11	240	320	310	230	200
Jul 25	370	430	730	310	390
Aug 08	230	190	280	300	260
Aug 23	1000	1500	1000	1200	800
Sep 05	980	940	520	930	770
Sep 19	170	180	100	220	230
Oct 03	130	180	11000	1500	690
Oct 17	20	20	90	20	20
Nov 01	<10	10	50	20	<10
Nov 15	10	30	60	10	<10
Dec 05	10	10	180	10	<10
Dec 20	60	10	890	30	40

Table 23  
Additional Chemical Analysis - 1990

Station	Cl <sup>-</sup> (mg/L)	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-2</sup> (mg/L)	Cr	Cu	Metals (ug/L)		Hg	Zn
					Pb	Mn		
<u>April 11</u>								
1. Lewis Access	32	56	<20	<10	<10	100	<1	<20
2. Upstream DAEC	31	53	<20	<10	<10	130	<1	210
3. Downstream DAEC	32	63	<20	<10	<10	110	<1	<20
4. One-half mile below plant	34	76	<20	<10	<10	110	<1	<20
5. Discharge Canal	47	160	<20	<10	<10	410	<1	380
<u>July 25</u>								
1. Lewis Access	25	33	<20	<10	<10	170	<1	<20
2. Upstream DAEC	24	32	<20	<10	<10	160	<1	<20
3. Downstream DAEC	23	36	<20	<10	<10	160	<1	<20
4. One-half mile below plant	24	36	<20	<10	<10	150	<1	20
5. Discharge Canal	23	41	<20	40	<10	30	<1	<20

Table 24

Benthic Macroinvertebrates Collected from the Cedar River and  
Discharge Canal Near Duane Arnold Energy Center  
21 September - 1 November 1990

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Taxon	Collection Site				
	Lewis Access	U/S DAEC	Discharge Canal	D/S DAEC	$\frac{1}{2}$ mi. below plant
Arthropoda					
Insecta					
Coleoptera					
Elmidae					
Optioservus sp.		1		1	
Diptera					
Chironomidae (larvae)	187	13		178	59
Simuliidae					
Simulium sp.	160	7		10	26
Athericidae					
Atherix sp.	4	1		4	6
Ephemeroptera					
Baetidae					
Baetis sp.	3	7			3
Heptageniidae					
Heptagenia sp.		4		11	57
Stenonema sp.	39	427		327	325
Stenacron sp.	9	15		14	6
Oligoneuriidae					
Isonychia sp.	2	4		3	4
Tricorythidae					
Tricorythodes sp.	1			1	
Plecoptera					
Pteronarcyidae					
Pteronarcys sp.	8	2		3	28
Trichoptera					
Hydropsychidae (Immature)	414	135		44	208
Hydropsyche bidens	647	519		355	407
H. orris	20	7		6	24
H. simulans	72	20		38	26
Cheumatopsyche sp.	12	6		8	6
Potamyia sp.	354	123		225	113
Leptoceridae					
Nectopsyche sp.		1			
Mollusca					
Gastropoda					
Physidae					
Physa sp.			64		
Annelida					
Hirudinea					
Rhynchobdellida					
Glossiphoniidae			1		
Platyhelminthes					
Turbellaria					
Tricladida					
Planariidae			32		
Total No. of Organisms	1932	1292	97	1228	1298
Total No. of Taxa	15	17	3	16	15

DC: Discharge Canal

Note: to convert no. of organisms counted to No./m<sup>2</sup> multiply by 6.25.

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Table 25

Daily Numbers of Fish Impinged at the Duane Arnold Energy Center  
January - December 1990

Day of the Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	0	10	11	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	2	10	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
3	0	3	23	15	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
4	10	0	26	20	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
5	3	8	42	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	5	6	0	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
7	12	0	15	15	1	7	0	1	1	0	1	0
8	3	15	5	20	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
9	0	12	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	2	6	33	0	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
11	5	0	118	0	3	1	0	0	4	0	0	1
12	5	0	204	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	2
13	0	20	232	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0
14	4	0	145	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	6
15	0	0	53	3	0	1	5	0	0	1	0	3
16	0	0	24	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	3	0
17	0	0	32	0	0	13	0	0	0	1	1	0
18	0	0	17	7	0	10	0	0	3	1	3	1
19	0	12	6	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	5
20	25	15	14	0	1	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
21	8	20	5	4	0	10	0	3	0	0	12	0
22	0	5	18	0	0	8	0	0	0	1	0	0
23	10	15	30	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	2	0
24	0	15	30	2	0	3	0	0	0	3	4	0
25	1	9	23	*	3	0	0	3	4	0	6	0
26	0	11	24	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	0
27	0	15	35	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	4	1
28	20	30	20	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
29	10	--	5	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	0
30	10	--	8	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
31	*	--	5	-	1	-	0	3	-	0	-	0
Total	133	227	1261	121	21	82	16	16	14	14	55	21

Annual Total      1981

\*No count taken

Table 26

Comparison of Average Values for Several Parameters at Upstream,  
Downstream, and Discharge Canal Locations at the  
Duane Arnold Energy Center During Periods of  
Station Operation\* - 1990

Parameter	Upstream (Sta. 2)	Discharge Canal (Sta. 5)	Mixing Zone (Sta. 3)	Downstream (Sta. 4)
Temperature (°C)	9.6	16.8	10.6 (110)**	10.6(110)**
Dissolved Solids (mg/L)	322	1191	384 (119)	357 (110)
Total Hardness (mg/L)	276	791	309 (112)	298 (108)
Total Phosphate (mg/L)	0.26	1.41	0.33 (127)	0.29 (112)
Nitrate (mg/L as N)	6.6	15.4	7.0 (106)	6.8 (103)
Iron (mg/L)	0.38	1.7	0.43 (113)	0.28 (73)

\* Excludes the period July 11 through September 19, 1990

\*\*Percent of upstream level ( )

Table 27

Comparison of Average Yearly Values for Several Parameters in the  
Cedar River Upstream from the Duane Arnold Energy Center\*  
1972-1990

Year	Mean Flow** (cfs)	Turbidity (NTU)	Total PO <sub>4</sub> (mg/L)	Ammonia (mg/L-N)	Nitrate (mg/L-N)	BOD (mg/L)	Total Hardness (mg/L)
1972	4,418	22	1.10	0.56	0.23	5.7	253
1973	7,900	28	0.84	0.36	1.5	4.0	250
1974	5,580	29	2.10	0.17	4.2	4.7	266
1975	4,206	58	1.08	0.33	2.8	6.5	251
1976	2,082	41	0.25	0.25	2.8	7.3	233
1977	1,393	15	0.33	0.52	2.9	6.5	243
1978	3,709	23	0.26	0.22	4.4	3.3	261
1979	7,041	26	0.29	0.12	6.6	2.5	272
1980	4,523	40	0.34	0.19	5.4	4.3	238
1981	3,610	33	0.77	0.24	6.0	6.5	279
1982	7,252	43	0.56	0.23	8.0	5.1	274
1983	8,912	22	0.25	0.10	8.6	3.3	259
1984	7,325	40	0.32	0.10	5.9	3.9	264
1985	3,250	30	0.31	0.11	4.8	6.7	245
1986	6,375	33	0.26	0.10	6.8	3.7	285
1987	2,625	32	0.24	0.06	5.6	5.8	269
1988	1,546	28	0.30	<0.16	2.8	9.6	246
1989	947	24	0.37	0.30	1.5	10.3	224
1990	5,061	33	0.29	0.20	7.3	4.8	283

\* Data from Lewis Access location (Station 1)

\*\*Data from Cedar Rapids gauging station



Table 28

Summary of Relative Loading Values (Average Annual  
Concentration x Cumulative Runoff) for Several Parameters  
in the Cedar River Upstream of the Duane Energy Center\*  
1972-1990

Year	Mean Flow (cfs)	Cumulative** Runoff (in.)	Turbidity	Relative Loading Values			
				Total PO <sub>4</sub>	Ammonia	Nitrate	BOD
1972	4,418	9.24	203	10.2	5.2	2	53
1973	7,900	16.48	461	13.8	5.9	25	66
1974	5,580	11.64	338	24.4	2.0	49	55
1975	4,206	8.77	509	9.5	2.9	25	57
1976	2,082	4.35	178	1.1	1.1	12	32
1977	1,393	2.91	44	1.0	1.5	8	19
1978	3,709	7.74	178	2.0	1.7	34	26
1979	7,041	14.79	385	4.3	1.8	98	37
1980	4,523	9.45	378	3.2	1.8	51	41
1981	3,610	7.53	248	5.8	1.8	45	49
1982	7,252	15.13	651	8.5	3.5	121	77
1983	8,912	18.00	396	4.5	1.8	155	59
1984	7,325	15.22	609	4.9	1.5	90	59
1985	3,250	6.80	204	2.1	0.8	33	46
1986	6,475	13.11	433	3.4	1.3	89	49
1987	2,625	4.85	155	1.2	0.3	27	28
1988	1,546	2.85	80	0.9	<0.4	8	27
1989	947	1.84	44	0.7	0.6	3	19
1990	5,061	9.34	308	2.7	1.9	68	45

\* Data from Lewis Access location (Station 1)

\*\*Data from Cedar Rapids gauging station